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Office Action Summary

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YONAS BAYOU

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 March 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 14-16, 32-34, 42, 46, 47 and 64-67 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 14-16, 32-34, 42, 46, 47 and 64-67 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 12 March 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 12/22/2007.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to applicant's response filed on 03/28/2008.
2. Claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 14-16, 32-34, 42, 46, 47 and 64-67 are pending.
3. Claims 2, 4, 5, 8-11, 13, 17-31, 35-41, 43-45 and 48-63 are cancelled.
4. Claims 1, 34 and 66-67 are amended.
5. When responding to the Office action, Applicant is advised to clearly point out the patentable novelty the claims present in view of the state of the art disclosed by the reference(s) cited or the objection made. A showing of how the amendments avoid such references or objections must also be present. See 37 C.F.R. 1.111(c).

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant argument submitted on 03/28/2008 have been fully considered, Examiner, however, in light of the above submission maintains the previous rejections while considering the amendments to the claims as follows, and does not find applicants general argument persuasive. Applicant is advised to point out what exactly the references do not disclose in relationship with the claims limitation. A general statement is not a sufficient argument in that regards.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) The invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 14-16, 32-34, 42, 46, 47 and 64-67 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Oberman et al, US Pub. No. 2001/0023425 A1 (hereinafter Oberman).

Referring to claim 1, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, the apparatus comprising:

a first logic for outputting a signed multiplicand by selectively performing a one's complementary operation on a multiplicand according to a Booth conversion result of a multiplier in modular multiplication **[paragraph 103, lines 1-8, paragraph 104, lines 9-14 and fig. 7];**

a second logic for outputting a modulus which is signed in the modular multiplication based on a carry input value Carry-in of a current clock, determined from a carry value cin for correction of a previous clock, and on a sign bit of the multiplicand **[paragraph 128, lines 8-16, paragraph 130 and fig. 16];** and

a third logic for determining the carry input value Carry-in of the current clock from the carry value cin for correction of the previous clock and receiving the signed multiplicand and the signed modulus **[paragraph 128, lines 8-16; paragraph 130; paragraph 143, lines 14-18 and figs. 16 and 19]**, and calculating a result value of the modular multiplication by iteratively performing a full addition operation on a carry value C and a sum value S of the full addition operation, found at the previous clock **[paragraph 130, lines 10-18, paragraph 131 and fig. 16]**.

Referring to claims 3 and 33, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the first logic receives two least significant bits of the multiplier and a predetermined reference bit while sequentially shifting bits of the multiplier, and performs the Booth conversion thereon **[paragraph 98, lines 13-20 and paragraph 99]**.

Referring to claims 6, 34, 64 and 67, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the first logic comprises:

a Booth conversion circuit for performing the Booth conversion using the two least significant bits of the multiplier and the reference bit **[paragraph 98, lines 13-20]**;

a multiplexer for multiplexing the multiplicand based on the two least significant bits of the multiplier **[paragraph 20, lines 13-19 and paragraph 104, lines 8-12]**; and

a one's complemter for outputting the signed multiplicand by selectively performing the one's complementary operation on the output of the multiplexer based on a sign bit of the Booth conversion result **[paragraph 103, lines 1-8, paragraph 104, lines 8-14 and fig. 7]**.

Referring to claims 7 and 65, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the third logic performs the full addition operation using at least two Carry Save Adders (CSAs) each including a plurality of full adders **[paragraph 25, paragraph 128 and fig. 16]**.

Referring to claim 14, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the second logic comprises:

a quotient logic for determining at every clock first bit values which are extracted by as many values as a predetermined number of bits, beginning from a least significant bit for each of the carry value and the sum value calculated in the third logic, and second bit values for determining a multiple of modular reduction in the modular multiplication based on the carry input value Carry-in and a sign bit of the multiplicand **[paragraph 146 and 147]**; and

a selector for selecting the signed modulus based on the second bit values **[paragraph 13, lines 12-16]**.

Referring to claims 15 and 42, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the third logic further comprises a full adder for outputting the carry input value Carry-in by performing the full addition operation using the carry value cin for correction and the sign bit of the multiplicand, received from the second logic **[paragraph 130, lines 10-18, paragraph 131 and fig. 16]**.

Referring to claims 16 and 46, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the third logic performs a carry propagation addition operation on the carry value and the sum value output from the third logic after $(m+2)$ clocks, where $m=n/2$, when each of the multiplier, the multiplicand and the modulus has n bits **[paragraph 135]**.

Referring to claims 32 and 47, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein the third logic adds the modulus to the carry propagation addition operation result when a result of the carry propagation addition operation is a negative number **[paragraph 103, lines 15-18]**.

A signal processing method for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, the method comprising:

outputting a signed multiplicand by selectively performing a one's complementary operation on a multiplicand according to a Booth conversion result of a multiplier in

modular multiplication **[paragraph 103, lines 1-8, paragraph 104, lines 9-14 and fig. 7]**;

finding a carry input value Carry-in of a current clock determined from a carry value cin for correction of a previous clock **[paragraph 213 and fig. 32]**;

outputting a modulus which is signed in the modular multiplication based on the carry input value and a sign bit of the multiplicand **[paragraph 128, lines 8-16 and fig. 16]**; and

receiving the signed multiplicand and the signed modulus **[paragraph 143, lines 14-18 and fig. 19]**, and calculating a result value of the modular multiplication by iteratively performing a full addition operation on a carry value C and a sum value S of the full addition Operation, found at the previous clock **[paragraph 130, lines 10-18, paragraph 131 and fig. 16]**.

Referring to claim 66, Oberman teaches a signal processing apparatus for performing modular multiplication for use in a signal processing system, wherein outputting a signed modulus comprises:

extracting, at every clock, as many first bit values as a predetermined number of bits beginning from a least significant bit for each of the carry value and the sum value **[paragraph 146 and 147]**;

outputting second bit values for determining a multiple of modular reduction in the modular multiplication based on the first bit values, the carry input value Carry-in and a sign bit of the multiplicand **[paragraph 146 and 147]**; and

selecting the signed modulus based on the second bit values [paragraph 13, lines 12-16].

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to YONAS BAYOU whose telephone number is (571)272-7610. The examiner can normally be reached on m-f,7:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kambiz Zand can be reached on 571-272-3811. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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